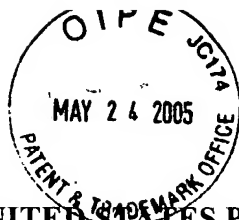


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Kazuhisa NAKATA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7483  
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For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE COMPRISING A DISCONTINUOUS REGION AND/OR A CONTINUOUS REGION HAVING TRENCH ISOLATION STRESS APPLIED THERETO (AS AMENDED)

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27  
☐ Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	14	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple dependent claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00

- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2005, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire May 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: